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The Honorable John C. Culver, Chairman
Subcommittee on General Legislation
Committee on Armed Services
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

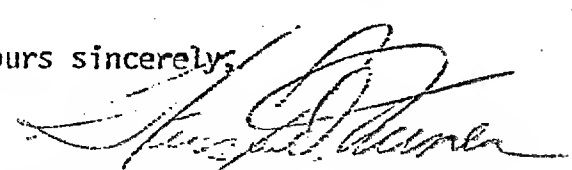
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a letter to Chairman John C.
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considering the authorization for
the Defense Civil Preparedness
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